



NEWS RELEASE

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PART OF ROUTE 144 TO BE CLOSED FOR NEW RETAINING WALL

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY - A portion of Route 144 will be closed beginning Tuesday, September 5 for two months. A new retaining wall will be built south of Ranchito Vista Road.

This closure will affect the southbound lane of traffic and will occur one-half mile before the project area.

This work will take place from 7 am to 6 pm Monday through Saturday. There may be some intermittent work on Sundays. There is the possibility of some overnight work.

There will be one-way traffic control in the area with flaggers available to assist motorists.

The contractor for this \$800,000 project is AIS Construction of Ventura.

Caltrans reminds motorists to 'Slow for the Cone Zone.'

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in Santa Barbara County, the public can call Caltrans District 5 at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at:

<http://dot.ca.gov/dist05/main/road/upsb.htm>.

